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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM DRAPER

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MASS, JO, US

SUBJECT: HEAVY-LIFT HELICOPTERS

REF: STATE 30050

1. FOLLOWING FOR YOUR INFO IS TEXT OF LETTER DATED  
FEB 13, 1976 FROM DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL TO MR. HARRY  
J. GRAY, CHAIRMAN AND PRESIDENT OF UNITED TECHNOLOGIES  
(SIKORSKY) CORPORATION:

BEGIN TEXT: DEAR HARRY:

I REFER TO YOUR LETTER OF FEBRUARY 2, 1976 CONCERNING THE  
ADVISORY OPINION FROM THE OFFICE OF MUNITIONS CONTROL  
DEALING WITH YOUR COMPANY'S PROPOSAL TO SELL S-65 HELI-  
COPTERS TO JORDAN.

WE REGARD THE ADVISORY OPINION AS BASICALLY A POSITIVE  
ONE, WHICH REAFFIRMS OUR TRADITIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE  
GOVERNMENT OF JORDAN AND WHICH DOES NOT DISCOURAGE YOUR  
FIRM'S SALES EFFORTS. THE NUMBER CURRENTLY APPROVED FOR  
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LICENSING REFLECTS A CAREFUL STUDY BY VARIOUS AGENCIES OF

OUR GOVERNMENT OF THE CURRENT CAPABILITIES OF THE JORDANIAN

AIR FORCE. WE ARE AWARE THAT THE JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT IS CURRENTLY STUDYING THEIR MANPOWER SITUATION, AND IF THAT STUDY SHOULD DETERMINE THAT THERE IS A CAPABILITY FOR FURTHER AIRCRAFT AFTER THE INITIAL PURCHASE, WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO LICENSING ADDITIONAL S-65'S FOR JORDAN.

WE DO NOT DESIRE THAT THE NUMBER BE MISINTERPRETED BY EITHER THE GOJ OR UNITED TECHNOLOGIES. WE HAVE AN OPEN MIND WITH REGARD TO EVENTUAL TOTAL SALES. OTHER FACTORS, HOWEVER, SUCH AS MANPOWER, FINANCIAL ABILITY, AND DELIVERY TIMES, WILL PLAY A ROLE IN ANY FUTURE DETERMINATION.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR CONCERN OVER THIS MATTER WITH ME, AND I HOPE THAT THIS REPLY WILL CLEAR UP ANY MISUNDERSTANDING THAT MAY HAVE EXISTED.

VERY BEST REGARDS,

SINCERELY, ROBERT S. INGERSOLL. END TEXT.

2. TO ENSURE EVEN-HANDEDNESS, MC CONVEYED SAME BASIC MESSAGE ORALLY TO BOEING'S WASHINGTON OFFICE ON FEB 16 AND IS ISSUING APPROPRIATE SUPPLEMENTARY ADVISORY OPINIONS IN WRITING TO BOTH COMPANIES. INGERSOLL

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